

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT: Crawford, J. Fred	§	ART UNIT: 1627
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FILED: December 13, 2001	§	EXAMINER:
	§	Gitomer, R.J.
SERIAL NO.: 10/01 <sup>7</sup> 7,625	§	
	§	CONFIRM. NO.: 7263
FOR: Assessment of Intracellular	§	
Cysteine and Glutathione	§	DOCKET:
Concentrations	§	D5946D

The Honorable Commissioner of Patents  
BOX NON-FEE AMENDMENT  
Washington, DC 20231

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT  
AND AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Restriction Requirement mailed June 24, 2002, Applicants hereby elect Group IV, claims 12 and 16-17, drawn to a method of determining cysteine, without traverse.

AMENDMENT

Please cancel claims 6-7, 9, 11, and 13-15.

REMARKS

Applicants respectfully point out that a Preliminary Amendment was filed with the divisional transmittal; furthermore, Applicants determined via telephone conversations with the Group receptionist and the Examiner that the Preliminary Amendment is located in the file. The Preliminary Amendment, with regard to the elected Group IV, amended claim 12 to incorporate canceled claim 7 and added new claims 16-17 to depend from amended claim 12. Additionally, claims 6-7.